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## **Statement of FCC Chairman Michael K. Powell Regarding The D.C. Circuit Decision on Triennial Review**

Today's court ruling upheld the Commission's decision to spur the development and deployment of vital broadband services to all Americans. As a result, our citizens will enjoy the increased capabilities, innovation, and lower prices of advanced wireline broadband services for decades to come.

I dissented from the majority's decision on local telephone competition because it was inconsistent with the law and would result in years of regulatory uncertainty and unrealized consumer promise. Today, the court agreed and restored the opportunity to bring about new advanced services and true competition that will bring consumers choice and innovation.

My fellow Commissioners and I need to expeditiously get to work to produce a set of judicially sound rules, once and for all. I have already directed the staff to begin preparing new rules that will provide the sorely needed clarity and guidance essential to bringing consumers the benefits they were promised and deserve.

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